

WHAT THE ASSESSORS DID.

Called to an Agreement About What Course Should be Pursued in Fixing Value of Property.

Saturday afternoon at the city council room in compliance with a call signed by Assessor Keeler, of Decatur, a large number of the country assessors were present—all but five. It was a conference meeting to agree if possible upon a uniform plan of assessment. Only the more common articles listed in the assessors' schedules were considered, and the rate at which their valuation should be assessed was agreed upon.

One of the matters which was up for consideration was that of bicycles. Bicycles are not listed in the printed forms furnished the assessors, except that they may be included under the item "all other personal property required to be listed." After some discussion it was agreed that bicycles would be assessed at an average valuation of \$10. This will make the tax on each bicycle about 70 cents. It is stated that one difficulty in assessing bicycles which is not so much encountered in any other case is the fact that many wheels are owned by minors. Of course the wheels could be assessed as the property of the parents or guardian and they could be compelled to pay the tax on ownership of wheels is proven to be in the family. But it is the subject of a general deal of worry to the assessor to be compelled to ferret out the ownership of the wheels.

The assessors decided to make a distinction between the old style square planos and the upright. The former will be assessed on an average valuation of from \$10 to \$20 and the latter from \$35 to \$50. Assessing cattle, cows will be valued at \$10 and all other cattle at \$1 a hundred weight.

Wheat will be assessed on a valuation of 1 cent a bushel, corn 7 cents and oats 5 cents.

Merchandise will be assessed on the basis of one-fifth of the actual value and tools and implements, etc., in use at one-tenth. Other articles which were agreed upon by the assessors were as follows:

Horses, \$15; sheep, \$1, hogs, per hundred weight, \$1; steam engines and boilers, \$5 to \$75; carriages and wagons, \$10 to \$25; anvils or burglar proof safes, \$10 to \$20; watches and clocks, \$1 to \$2; sewing or lifting machines, \$1; melodeons and organs, \$5 to \$10.

THE PEACEMAKER OF BOURBON.

A Tale of the New South, by S. J. Dunn, read.

The hero, Mr. Edward Sinclair, an athlete of no mean order, and a lover of peace, moved from Illinois to a southern state and purchased a fine old plantation, that he named Concord. He is an unmarried man and his aunt who raised him, from an infant goes with him as mother and housekeeper. His next neighbor was Colonel Oglesby, an old time southern gentleman, a widower with a ward, the beautiful Miss Ella Johnson.

Her father was killed at Gettysburg, and being intensely bitter toward everything northern exacted a pledge from his old comrade in arms, Colonel Oglesby in regard to his young daughter's future.

Mr. Sinclair became infatuated with this young lady, though rumor has engaged her to Major Sturry, another prominent citizen and comrade in arms of her father and her guardian. As Mr. Sinclair was an ardent Republican with very positive views against carrying and using pistols and knives, preaching the doctrine of peace on every occasion, the obstacles between him and Miss Johnson seemed well nigh insurmountable. These men, while on friendly terms to him are against his peculiar views, and he has many ventures before his dearest are received by the people of Jackson county. Yet this finally happens, the villains are unmasked and pushed, and the lovers, by an unlooked for discovery, are brought together at last.

Port or covers, price 50 cents. G. W. Dill, the chain, publisher, New York. For sale at L. Chodot's news house, Decatur, Ill.

Dr. J. F. Fribble, of Chicago, who has been visiting his parents relatives, and friends at Assumption and Panama this past few days, has opened a dental practice in the Fonton block, Decatur, Ill. Dr. Fribble was an Assumption boy, though born at New Philadelphia, Ohio. He was brought by his parents to Christian county when four years of age. He left home eleven years ago to attend college where he completed two years' course after which he taught several years and then entered the study of dentistry, beginning in Dr. McKoy's office at Decatur. Afterwards going to Chicago where he has been ever since with the exception of a vacation of a few weeks of each year. Dr. Fribble finished a three years' course at the Chicago college of Dental Surgery practicing in the free clinics one year. Afterwards practicing with his brother, Dr. W. E. Fribble, who is one of Chicago's prominent dentists. We compliment the people of Decatur in having such man as Dr. Fribble on their staff of professional men.

Arrest of Tramps. Saturday afternoon at a late hour the officers were called to the east end of the city to take in a lot of tramps who were hanging around supposedly to make trouble for the people of the neighborhood. The officers rounded up three or four of the tramps and put them into a wagon so that they could be brought to police headquarters and the county jail with the least possible trouble. There were the genuine U. S. bums and made no great kick about being brought to a place where they could get lodging and three square meals a day.

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ALMOST A RIOT.

Big Row at the Missouri Republican State Convention.

THE FILLEY AND KERENS FACTIONS.

Hours of Lively Interest at St. Joe—Efforts to Gain the Mastery—The Convention Hall Locked—Attempt to Smash in Door.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 12.—The Republican state convention was almost turned into a riot this morning as a result of a disagreement between the Filley and Kerens factions for supremacy. The former as chairman of the state committee, is expected to have a large number of delegates before him, and the latter, Kerens, his following, are expected to have a large number of delegates before him.

The local committee on arrangements also issued tickets and though recognizing Kerens as boss, hold the keys to the city and refuse to admit any one not in the Filley camp to compromise. At 10 o'clock the hour for opening the convention, 2,000 people are in front of the building demanding admission. For hours they stood in the hot sun, beating alternately Filley and Kerens. Shortly after noon the crowd wearing Filley's badge, attempted to smash in the door, but were repulsed by the Filley men.

The local committee on arrangements, still had possession. The delegates, however, were furious and threatened to smash in the door. The Filley men, however, were allowed in the building nevertheless. Chairman Filley called the convention to order. Mayor Vorheis delivered the address of welcome.

Filley made a short speech, predicting Republican success in Missouri. Cheers for him were mingled with cries for Mayor Vorheis. Filley disengaged himself from the crowd and went to his seat. Kerens, however, remained in the crowd and was not allowed to enter the building.

He announced Congressman Richard Bartholomew as temporary chairman. He came forward and addressed the convention. The committees were selected and the convention took a recess.

ILLINOIS G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT. Many Veterans in Cairo Awaiting the Opening To-Day.

Cairo, Ill., May 12.—Cairo has surrendered to the Grand Army of the Republic, and the veterans are pouring in by hundreds. Never in the history of encampments in Illinois have the arrivals been so large. Probably 2,000 persons have arrived yesterday and twice as many are expected to attend the thirteenth annual encampment, which opens this evening. The city is decked with flags and streamers and presented a gay appearance until a heavy shower came up yesterday afternoon and ruined many of the decorations. This, however, laid the dust and cooled the atmosphere, and today everything is pleasant. Among the earliest arrivals were General W. H. Powell of Belleville, Department commander, and Mrs. J. J. Johnson of Monticello, president of the state Women's Relief Corps. Stevenson Post arrived last evening from Springfield, fifty strong, with General John A. McClelland as their guest. Last night a section of Battery A. I. N. G. arrived from Danville, and the militia from Belleville and Carbondale will arrive in the morning. Commander J. N. Walker will arrive from Indianapolis at noon tomorrow.

Business is working hard for the next few days, but Danville and Belleville are the contestants. The program commenced this afternoon with a parade, followed by a complimentary trip across the Illinois Central bridge to Fort Holt, Ky. At night a camp fire was held. Candidates or commanders so far announced are V. L. Schimpff, of Peoria, P. C. Hayes, of Joliet, and W. G. Cochran, of Sullivan.

ROW ABOUT CHINESE PROPERTY. Mr. Smith, an Irrepressible, Acting for Russia, May Bring on War.

Shanghai, May 12.—J. Smith, agent for the Russian Steam Navigation Company at Chefoo, also agent for various American missions to secure shore advantages at Chefoo belonging to Ferguson & Co., objects for the steamships. Other firms objected. Russia intervened and China acceded.

London, May 12.—Shanghai special says: Russians through an American agent named Smith have taken possession of disputed at Chefoo over which the British claim rights. Six Russian warships and three or four U. S. warships are there. Intense excitement prevails at Chefoo. The Globe says "The seriousness of news for Chefoo cannot be overestimated. The action cannot be viewed by Great Britain as other than unfriendly."

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CODY LAW NO GOOD.

Barber Shops May Run Wide Open on Sunday.

DECISION OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Law Declared Unconstitutional—Law as to the Sale of Soda Water by the Druggists.

Springfield, Ill., May 12.—The Illinois supreme court today handed down an opinion holding that the law enacted by the last general assembly of the state prohibiting barber shops from keeping open on Sunday to be unconstitutional as class legislation and prohibiting persons from enjoying rights of property. The court holds that the receipts of barber shops are property of the owner and the law has no right to deprive him of such.

The court also hands down opinion holding that drug stores and other places operating soda water fountains cannot be compelled to sell such fluids to colored persons. Such things are not necessities of life and can be operated at will of owner.

NEWS FROM LONDON. Glide a Former British Subject—Dr. Jameson and His Raid.

London, May 12.—In the house of commons under Foreign Secretary Curzon, said the man, Wm. Glido, captured on board the filibustering schooner Competitor, and condemned to death, was born under the British flag; but according to advice from the British consul at Havana, lost British nationality by becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States.

The Courier confirms the report that Dr. Jameson's raid into Transvaal failed because Cecil Rhodes wished the revolt to occur under the Union Jack while the former insisted upon the Transvaal flag.

It also appears that all arrangements were made to proclaim Charles Leonard president, and John Hays Hammond, states attorney, but they refused to alter plans and left Jameson in the lurch.

It is said the sentence of death imposed on the men captured on the Competitor, has been suspended by Spain. The government must wait for further information from Havana before deciding whether to make a representation to Spain.

ASSETS ARE DECIDEDLY SCANT. Debts of the Schumacher Gymnasium Company are Quite Heavy.

Akron, Ohio, May 12.—The liabilities of the Schumacher Gymnasium company, which assigned Saturday at the same time as did Ferdinand Schumacher, will amount to fully \$80,000. The assets are not more than half that. The assignees and representatives of Mr. Schumacher are now busy endeavoring to make arrangements with his creditors to delay the pressing of their claims, asserting that if time is granted Mr. Schumacher will be able to pay dollar for dollar.

HOLMES MADE NO WILL. Left Letters of Farewell and Locks of His Hair.

Philadelphia, May 12.—The mass of papers left in Lawyer Rotan's hands by Holmes, the murderer, have been thoroughly examined by him. Mr. Rotan said positively that none of the papers are of the nature of a will. Most of the papers are letters of farewell. Among the effects are a number of mementos Holmes desired to send to members of his family, and several of the letters contain locks of his hair.

HEAVY STORM IN NEBRASKA. Eastern Part of the State Suffers Severe Damage.

Omaha, May 12.—A terrible storm swept over eastern Nebraska last night, doing great damage, especially in rural districts. In Omaha many small buildings were damaged and torrents of water fell. In some sections it assumed the proportions of a cyclone.

Racing in New York. New York, May 12.—The racing season opened here today at Morris park, the chief event on the card being the Metropolitan handicap at a mile and a furlong. Nine horses eligible will start, though probably one or two will not show up. Henry of Navarre seems to be the first favorite, though Sir Walter and Count Tenor will be well backed.

Rumor Denied. Havana, May 12.—There is no foundation for the rumor that Captain General Weyler has been dismissed. A court martial has been formed for the trial of Charles Barnett and Wm. Leavitt, Americans, supposed to have taken in the Competitor expedition, captured in Pinar Del Rio.

Succeeds His Brother as President. Clinton, Ill., May 12.—Richard Snell, a real estate owner of Fort Dodge, Iowa, was chosen president of the national bank here yesterday to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of his late brother, Thornton Snell, of Bloomington.

Killed in a Saloon. Paris, Ky., May 12.—Today J. R. Alexander, great nephew of Jefferson Davis, late president of the Southern confederacy, was shot and mortally wounded in his saloon by John Steel, a railroad man whom he refused to credit for drink.

Sold for \$1,000,000. Green Bay, Wis., May 12.—The Green Bay, Wisconsin and St. Paul railroad was sold yesterday, bought by the reorganization committee for \$1,000,000.

Doctors' Strike. Rotterdam, May 12.—The doctors strike has assumed an ugly aspect. The civic guard police and marines were called out today to protect the workers.

Named for Congress. Pittsburg, May 12.—Hon. E. F. Ache, was today nominated for congress by the Republicans of the twenty-fourth district.

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Two State Tickets. Honest Money Democrats Likely to Put Up One of Their Own.

Chicago, May 12.—There is every likelihood that Illinois will have two Democratic state conventions and two Democratic state tickets this year. The gold men propose to obliterate the free silver faction at any cost, even if it involves the utter demoralization of the party in the state.

The plan of the gold money men is to make a fight at the primaries in Cook county on May 26. Should they not receive fair treatment, or be defeated by what they deem unfair or dishonest methods, the friends of gold in every county in the state will be requested to send representatives to the Peoria convention. It isn't expected that these will be admitted to the regular convention, but they will demand admission, and being refused, will hold a state convention of their own, nominate an independent ticket, and select a full delegation to the national convention at Chicago, where it is thought, the gold men will be in the majority, and should the gold men win their point here and be recognized as the regular Democratic organization in the state of Illinois, they will complete the work of demoralizing the machine by putting up an independent Democratic county ticket in opposition to the nominations of the regulars.

All the work now being done by the gold men is but preliminary to this plan of campaign.

PAVEY CASE IS TAKEN UP. Demurrer of the State to the Ex Auditor's Pleas is Sustained.

Springfield, Ill., May 12.—The suit of the people against Charles W. Pavey, ex-auditor of state, which has been pending in the circuit court here for many months was called up yesterday, at the request of Assistant Attorney General Novell.

The suit was brought against Mr. Pavey and his bondsmen to recover \$50,000, which it was alleged had been fraudulently retained by him while acting as auditor of public accounts, and identified as follows: Five thousand dollars for acting as insurance commissioner, and \$5 per diem as member of the state board of equalization, the state holding that he was not entitled to any portion of these sums. Defendant filed seven pleas, holding that he was entitled to \$5,000 per annum as insurance commissioner and \$5 per diem as a member of the board of equalization for eight years. The other pleas were based on the plea, and the demurrer was sustained by the court, and the case postponed until next Monday afternoon to allow defendant additional time up in which to file further amended pleas. Up on this issue the case will be taken up by Judge Creighton.

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CONGRESSIONAL TICKET.

17th District.
For Congress..... JAMES A. CONNOLLY
For Member State of Board Equalization..... THOMAS N. LEAVITT
For Elector..... H. N. SCHUYLER

Bosses as Party Enemies.

The central fact of the political situation, so far as it concerns the Republican nomination, is that all indications point to a battle royal at St. Louis with the bosses. The significance and the shame of the situation arise from the fact that the leading bosses in this marshaling of forces and devices are the managers of the National Republican Committee.

By common consent, the situation has now become such that Major McKinley's nomination is assured, unless the manipulators of the party machine can so direct it as to encompass his defeat by the forces which the party has put into their hands for very different purposes than preventing or compelling a nomination.

It is impossible to conceive of a queer form of political usurpation than the work which has long been and is now in progress among the controlling members of the National Republican Committee. They do not even attempt to disguise it. They proclaim, without the slightest reserve, entire confidence in their ability to defeat McKinley.

This they expect to accomplish through their control of the machinery of the convention during its organization stage. Chief among the elements with which they expect to work are making up of the temporary roll, and the manipulation of the many contesting delegates. With this latter class they expect to be able to present a roll which will deprive McKinley of a majority of the convention in advance of organization. Without such majority the national committee will be able to control during the preliminary stages.

It is safe to say that everything will be done which unquestioned shrewdness, long experience, acknowledged skill at the game, and thorough unscrupulousness may suggest to achieve the defeat of Major McKinley.

This situation, looking to the future of the party, and to the preservation of ordinary decency in party administration, is perhaps, quite as important as the question of nomination. It resolves itself into this: The attitude of the manipulators, of the national committee is one of unadmitted usurpation.

In theory, they are the executive officers of the party, chosen to conduct its business, and promote its general welfare. Their functions with respect to the National Convention are to elect the place of meeting, make and promulgate rules for the election of delegates, make up a fair roll of those elected, prepare the convention hall, and fairly conduct the preliminary organization.

In practice this theory has become obsolete. For several of the late conventions the very men who are now at the helm have made it their special business to force certain nominations upon the party, and to accomplish this, not an individual member of the party, which would be their right, but by the active and unscrupulous use of machinery put into their hands as a trust to be honorably used with fairness towards the whole membership of the party, and for its general good. This condition would be quite as reprehensible if it were now used to make certain the nomination of Major McKinley, instead of employing it to compass his defeat. In either case, it would be the pure usurpation, and in either case should receive the unqualified and indignant condemnation of the party.

What is wanted in the direction of wholesome politics, both for improving the health of the party and giving honest and valuable support to a president, is a radical reconstruction of the national Republican committee. Next to the nomination of a presidential ticket, and the adoption of a platform sound on money and protection, the most important subject which can come before the state delegations is such a reformation of this committee as will purge it of its usurpers. It would be a result of immeasurable importance to the party if, with the nomination of Major McKinley, which now seems assured, there should also come such a reformation of the national committee.

country committee as its present bold effort must suggest to every advocate of honest politics. Every proper use of the powers placed in his hands as a trust for the whole party should be deposited, and men who can be depended upon to administer the trust honorably should be chosen in their places. If the McKinley forces have a majority of the state delegations they will have the votes and the strength to accomplish this wholesome change.

Republican Party's Baptismal Place.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat "If the Republican party was not born in this state it was baptized and christened here, and got its earliest impetus from great mass meetings and popular endorsements held here." This expression is from the Indianapolis Journal, which claims for Indiana the honor of giving the name Republican to the combination of moderate abolitionists, free soilers, anti-slavery Whigs and anti-slavery Democrats which was formed in 1854 to resist slavery extension into the territories just after the passage of Douglas' Kansas-Nebraska bill. Similar claims have been made for many other states, including New York, Massachusetts, Vermont and Pennsylvania. The Journal says that "the state convention of the new party was held in this city (Indianapolis) on July 13, 1854."

July 13, 1854, was a great day, unquestionably, in the history of the new movement to combat slavery extension. Several states held conventions, almost all of them of the mass meeting order, on that day, which was the anniversary of the passage of the ordinance of 1787, excluding slavery from the Northwest Territory, which includes the present states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and that part of Minnesota east of the Mississippi river. Among them, in addition to Indiana, were Wisconsin, Ohio and Vermont. But Wisconsin and Vermont were the only states which adopted the name Republican for the new party in the conventions held July 13, 1854. The combination in Indiana tentatively assumed the name of the People's party, and the ticket which it nominated and elected was known as the People's ticket.

John Wisconsin and Vermont hold a prior claim to Indiana to the honor of adopting the name Republican for the new party. Even these two states, however, were not the first to bestow the name on the foe of slavery extension. Michigan had a state convention a week earlier than these, or on July 6, 1854, and one of its resolutions declared that the elements in the new combination would "co-operate and be known as Republicans until the contest be terminated."

This was a somewhat common form of words with the party in the beginning, many persons thinking the fight against slavery extension would be short, and that after it ended the different elements of the combination would resume their old party affiliations. Michigan's was the first state convention, the first large body of citizens, to formally apply the name Republican to the new party. Horace Greely wrote to J. M. Howard, then and subsequently a distinguished citizen of Michigan, telling him that Wisconsin, in her coming convention, would adopt the Republican name, and advising Michigan which met earlier to seize the honor of being the first state to assume the title which she did. To Michigan and not to Indiana or any other commonwealth belongs the distinction of baptizing the Republican party in a state convention. The ticket nominated in the Jackson (Mich.) convention of July 6, 1854, and which was elected that year was the first state ticket bearing the Republican name over nominated except, of course, those put up by Jefferson's party of that name of 1793-1829.

Congressman Aldrich, who has been diligently at work for Thomas B. Reed for president, so far as known, has succeeded in securing a single delegate for the speaker in Illinois and seems at the present writing to be about to abandon his presidential mathematics.

It isn't much trouble for a really healthy man to be good humored. Jollity and exuberant health are a proverbial combination. The hearty man who is always laughing doesn't have any trouble with his digestion. It has been said that laughing makes people healthy. The truth is that health makes people laugh.

There isn't any other thing so essential to health as regularity in the action of the bowels. Most all sickness starts with some derangement of the digestive functions. Good digestion means good, pure blood, and that means strength. Once the bowels become clogged with refuse matter, and the whole system is deranged. Impure, poisonous matter sets into the blood and plants the seeds for all sorts of sickness.

Whenever there is a stoppage of the intestinal action, help should be given immediately. Usually a mild, gentle laxative is all that is necessary. A violent, wrenching, griping cathartic is never needed. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the most pleasant and successful remedy for occasional or chronic constipation, or costiveness. They are tiny, sugar-coated anti-bilious granules that even the smallest child can easily take. They act in perfect accord with nature and produce no gripping or other disagreeable feeling. They should be taken at the first indication of digestive trouble. They stop sour stomach, belching, "heart-burn," flatulence and sick headache. They cure constipation permanently by stopping taking them after the bowels are thoroughly regulated. Their help lasts. You do not become a slave to their use as with other pills.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Fick & Conklin has been this day mutually dissolved. William Fick retiring. Kate L. Conklin is to collect all outstanding accounts and assume all liabilities of said firm.
Decatur, Ill., May 4, 1896.
May 4-1896
F. C. PLUCK
KATE L. CONKLIN.
Dr. T. E. Hoskins, Decatur, Opera House Block, ground floor.
For M. 4-1896

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION

The Republicans of the several townships or districts in Macon county are requested to select delegates to attend the county convention to be held at the court house in Decatur, Illinois, on TUESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF MAY, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following officers to be voted for at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 3rd, 1896:
One State Attorney.
One Clerk of the Circuit Court.
One County Surveyor.
One Coroner.

The representation in said convention will be based upon the Republican vote cast for presidential electors in 1892, being one delegate for every fifty, or fraction of twenty-five votes over.

Each district or township will be entitled to the following delegates:

Districts.	Delegates.
Decatur—1st District.....	4
" 2d ".....	4
" 3d ".....	4
" 4th ".....	4
" 5th ".....	4
" 6th ".....	4
" 7th ".....	4
" 8th ".....	4
" 9th ".....	4
" 10th ".....	4
" 11th ".....	4
" 12th ".....	4
" 13th ".....	4
" 14th ".....	4

A primary election will be held in each township and voting district at the places designated by the chairman of said township or district. The election will be held on Friday, May 15, 1896, from 7 o'clock a. m. to 7 o'clock p. m. All other townships will hold their primaries on Saturday, May 16, 1896, from 7 o'clock a. m. to 7 o'clock p. m. Each township or voting district will vote by ballot for the delegates for the several offices, the candidates receiving a plurality of the votes cast in each township or district shall receive the votes of the delegates from said township or district in the convention. The township central committee for each district shall have charge of the primary election in his district.

When the polls have been declared closed, to wit: at 5 o'clock in the country townships and at 7 o'clock in the city, the voters being assembled for that purpose at the polling place will elect delegates to represent the townships and districts, as the case may be, in the county convention.

Primary tickets shall be supplied by the County Central Committee, and shall contain the names of all candidates who notify the chairman of the committee of their desire to have their names placed on the ticket.

All Republicans are requested to attend the primaries, that the result of the vote may be the correct expression of the party preferences.

By order of the County Central Committee,
R. P. LITTLE, Chairman.
HARRY K. MURKIFF, Secretary.

Senatorial Convention.

The several counties in the 1st Senatorial district are requested to send delegates to a Senatorial Convention to be held at Decatur, Macon county, on the 7th day of May, 1896, at the court house, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., to nominate two candidates for the Legislature. The basis of representation to said convention will be one delegate for every 400 votes cast for the Republican presidential elector at the general election held in 1892. Each county will be entitled to delegates as follows:

Christiana.....	10 delegates
Macon.....	15 delegates
Moultrie.....	15 delegates

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Bargains! Bargains! Bargains!

25 dozen Ladies' Waists, price 50c, Savings Bank price only 23c.
150 dozen Ladies' Waists in dark colors, only 25c.
250 Ladies' Shirt Waists just as good as you pay 75c for, Savings Bank price 48c.
3 dozen tussle silk Shirt Waists, price \$4.00, Savings Bank price only \$1.75.
75 Ladies' Waists, price \$1.25, Savings Bank price 75c.
15 Ladies' Silk Waists, would be a bargain at \$6.00, Savings Bank price \$2.98.

DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT.

250 yards of Corded Marquis Dress Goods, latest summer goods sold for 25c Savings Bank price 13c.
Best Lining at 3 1/2c.
250 yards all wool silk finish Henrietta, just as good as you pay 85c for, Savings Bank price only 48c.

LADIES' FURNISHING GOODS.

500 pairs of Black Silk Mitts, just as good as you pay 25c for; Mayflower Sale price, 10c.
500 pairs of Children's Bicycle Hose, warranted every pair; price 15c; Mayflower Sale price, 8c a pair.
250 Ladies' Fine Lisle Thread Silk Finish Hose, just as good as you pay 40c for; Mayflower Sale price, 25c a pair.

GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS DEPARTMENT.

25 dozen men's Over Shirts, price 50c, Savings Bank price 15c.
35 dozen men's Over Shirts, better quality, worth 45c, Savings Bank price 25c.
50 Shirts, just as good as you would pay 40c for, Savings Bank price 30c.
6 dozen Night Shirts, emb. bosom, price 75c and \$1.00, for this sale 48c.

MEN'S HATS.

The weather is hot but you can come to the Savings Bank and get a straw hat; for this sale for 3c only.
15 dozen Straw Hats, price 25c, Savings Bank price only 9c.
15 dozen Straw Hats, fine quality, price 75c, Savings Bank price only 48c.
9 dozen Men's Black Fedoras, price \$1.00, Savings Bank price only 48c.
9 dozen Men's Fine Hats, would be a bargain at \$2.00, Savings Bank price only 98c.

BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

25 dozen Boys' Knee Pants to be sold during this sale at 19c only.
Here is something to make the boys happy and a big bargain at that. Boys' Overalls from 4 years to 12, with apron hip jackets only 23c.
75 Boys' Knee all wool Suits, sizes from 4 to 14, a bargain at \$2.00, Savings Bank price only \$1.20.
50 Boys' Knee all wool Suits, sizes 4 to 14, a big bargain at \$2.75, Savings Bank price only \$1.60.

SHOE DEPARTMENT.

\$3,000 worth of Shoes, Men's Ladies' and Children's, to be closed out at half the manufacturing price, as we have no room to keep a shoe stock in our store, as we want to close them out.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

To give inducements to the ladies to visit our Millinery department we are obliged to give big bargains.
50 Ladies' Fine Trimmed Hats worth \$1.50 at 85c.
75 Ladies' " " " " 2.00 at \$1.10.
50 Ladies' Fine Lace Hats trimmed in jets, tips and ribbons, worth \$5.00; our price \$2.50.

During Mayflower Sale we will give big bargains in our Millinery Department. You can buy Hats and Flowers for less than one-half what you will have to pay elsewhere. All shapes bought of us trimmed free of charge.

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Special Lot Ribbons, 35c value, at 17c yard.

White Goods, special prices, at 5c, 7 1/2c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 17c, 20c yard.

Table Linens, 67-inch, half bleached, at 49c.

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New Wrappers at 69c, 75c, 98c, and up.

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Buttonhole Scissors 25c. 3, 3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2 and 5-inch Scissors, 25c. 7, 7 1/2 and 8-inch Shears, 50c. ALL GUARANTEED GOODS.

Special prices on Lace Curtains. Big bargains in Odd Curtains.

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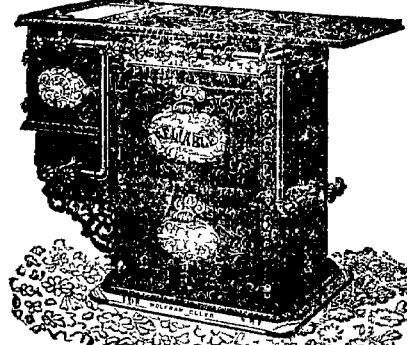
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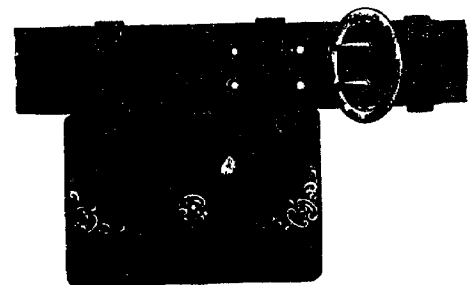
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Rubber tires for surreys and buggies.
George S. Durfee & Bro., 158 South Water
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The small hurricane of last evening
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trees in the city.

Lowrey's first-class chocolates and
World's Premium box candies are handled
exclusively by Whitley.

Inspect those magnificent Haines and
Reed & Son's pianos which are on sale
only at the C. B. Prescott music house.

In the county court W. B. Stapp has
given notice of his resignation as admin-
istrator of the estate of the late Dr. Stapp.

The Wabash will run a cheap excursion
to Danville Wednesday May 13th. Special
train leaves at 6:55 a. m. Returning
leaves Danville at 9:30 p. m. Only \$1.50
for the round trip.—5-d1w

The Buyers and Merchants' Benefit
Bureau saves you 4 per cent on your en-
tire living expenses. Call upon the man-
ager, L. Chodan, and learn how.

Yesterday Officer Leech arrested George
Brummel on a warrant charging him
with assaulting a little girl. Brummel
was brought before Justice Shorb this
morning and fined \$3 and costs.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

There will be a benefit ball game at the
park next Friday afternoon. The rake
off will be for the benefit of Walter Moore
who fell and broke his collar bone on
Sunday in the game with the Danville
club.

Rev. A. W. Hawkins left today for Bir-
mingham, Ala. to take part in the gen-
eral assembly of the Cumberland Presby-
terian church. He will be gone three
weeks. Rev. A. H. Huey and Rev. H.
M. Wilson are among the number of sup-
plies for his pulpit while gone.

No better soft coal in this market than
Lincoln or Riverton. Buy it of M. F.
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Monticello News.

The eighteenth annual commencement
of the Monticello high school will be held
at Rhoades' opera house on the evening
of May 13. The class numbers sixteen,
and is the largest number ever graduat-
ing from the school. The following is a
list of the graduates: Misses Lizzie Ayre,
Mabel Davidson, Nellie Hazard, Mar-
ietta Moffitt, Anna Palmer, R. Ettie Por-
ter, Grace D. Robertson, Eva Rock, Ma-
bel Rodgers, Ida Stevenson, Ethel Tay-
lor, Nell Wiersheim; Messrs. Platt Kratz,
J. Ford Kroell, Wade Ownby, Kirby
Smith.

The Platt orator, son of Hon. W. H.
Kratz, will be the valedictorian.

Miss Neta Thatcher, of Decatur, and
others attended the reception given the
ladies of the Cosmos club.

Secretary Lee, of the Shiloh Battlefield
association, has returned from Shiloh
and the south, where he has been making
arrangements for the grand reunion on
the battlefield, May 29th and the 30th.

The new city council has held its sec-
ond meeting at which saloon licenses
were granted to three saloon keepers at
\$1,500 each, the old rate. John McIn-
tosh, was appointed marshal, George Jus-
tice, night policeman, Scott Tinsman,
street commissioner; Alderman Thomas
Kent was presented with a fine silk hat
by his constituents. He defeated Dr. J.
D. Knott 31 votes in the Second ward.

Will Give a Social.

The members of the Mission band of
the College street chapel will give a birth-
day social this evening at the chapel.
Those who attend are expected to bring
as many pennies as they are years old.
There will be recitations and music by
the young people. The proceeds of the
entertainment will be used for missionary
purposes.

AGAINST TICKET BROKERS.

A Matter of Far Reaching Interest—Tough
on the Scalpers.

The supreme court of Illinois in an
opinion filed at Mt. Vernon has dismissed
the petition of the Chicago ticket scalpers
to expunge from the records of the court
opinions previously filed whose real scope
was to declare the law of 1875 forbidding
railroad ticket scalpers from operating in
Illinois constitutional. In 1875 the gen-
eral assembly of Illinois enacted such a
law. About two years ago, one George
Burdick was convicted in the circuit
court of Jackson county upon two indict-
ments of violating this law, and fined
\$500 upon each charge. He brought the
cases to the supreme court, which affirmed
the decision of the court below, thereby
holding the law of 1875 constitutional.

At the May term, 1895, of the supreme
court representatives of the American
Ticket Brokers' association, the Guar-
antee Ticket Brokers' association and the
Chicago Ticket Brokers' Local association
petitioned the court to set aside and ex-
punge from its records its former deci-
sions in the Burdick cases, claiming the
Burdick cases to be fictitious, and that,
therefore, a fraud had been perpetrated
upon the court. This the court refused
to do, on the point of law that persons
not direct parties to a former decision, or
directly interested therein, have no right
to have such decision set aside.

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BENEFIT BALL GAME.

Walter Moore to be Given a Testimonial at
the Park Next Friday—Feoria
or Champaign.

Manager Decker, of the Decatur club,
is arranging to give Walter Moore, a mem-
ber of the team who had the unfortunate
to break his collar bone at the ball park
on Sunday last, a substantial benefit at
the park next Friday afternoon. Moore
came to grief in the left field when he
killed a hard hit fly ball from the tip of
the stick of one of the Danville players,
and as he caught the ball and held it he
fell with considerable force upon the
ground and fractured his shoulder. Now
he will have to remain idle for an indefi-
nite period, and in the kindness of his
heart Manager Decker will give him a big
share of the receipts at the game on Fri-
day. It is probable that a club from Peo-
ria or one from Champaign will be se-
cured for the benefit. Due announcement
will be made in the papers and by bills.

The hurricane of yesterday did consid-
erable damage at the ball park, blowing
down the fence on the east side and part
of the section on the north side. Today
Manager Decker and others were busily
engaged in making repairs.

BACK FROM BETHANY.

Ed Dimock; Gave Bail for His Appearance
for Trial at Sullivan.

Last night Ed Dimock had his prelimi-
nary hearing at Bethany on the charge
of taking away a horse belonging to Dr.
McMennamy, before 'Squire Jones, and
he was held to answer at the next session
of the Monticello county grand jury. Bail
was furnished by Dimock, who is again at
his home in Decatur. The whole trouble
grows out of the recovery of a horse
which had been mortgaged to A. T. Sum-
mers, and had afterwards been sold to the
Bethany physician.

Will Discuss Sanitary Matters.

The third annual meeting of the State
Board of Health Auxiliary Sanitary Asso-
ciation will meet at Springfield on May,
22 and 23. On Friday, the first day of
the session, the opening address will be de-
livered and papers on the following topics
read and discussed: "The Duties of Local
Boards of Health as Inspectors of the
Public," by Dr. A. R. Reynolds, of Chi-
cago; "Water Analysis and Means Pro-
vided by the State University for Making
Analysis of Water Supplies of the State,"
by Prof. A. W. Palmer, of Champaign;
"Tuberculosis as it Affects Animal and
Man," by Prof. M. R. Trumbower, of
Sterling; "To What Extent Should Com-
pensation be Made for Loss Sustained by
Individuals to Protect Communities from
Contagious Diseases," by Hon. M. L.
Neville, assistant attorney-general of
Springfield; "Sanitary Supervision of
Country Schools," by Dr. C. W. Oleson,
of Lombard.

At Saturday's session papers will be
read and discussed as follows: "Milk In-
spection," Dr. Adolph Goehman, Chicago.
"The Duties of Local Boards of Health in
the Management of Infectious and Con-
tagious Diseases," Dr. L. C. Taylor,
Springfield. "The Best Methods of Dis-
posing of Sewage and Garbage in Small
Cities," by Dr. A. G. Patton, Monmouth.
Reports of Sanitary work done by cities
and towns in the state will be furnished
by the representatives present, and offi-
cers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Dr. Penhalligon's Assistant.

Dr. W. H. Penhalligon on Sunday an-
nounced to his people the name of the as-
sistant pastor. It is Rev. J. F. Clokey,
son of Rev. A. W. Clokey, of Gallon, Ohio,
and nephew of J. M. Clokey, of Decatur.

The young man is 26 or 28 years old and
has been a student at McCormick Theo-
logical seminary. He lacks a year of fin-
ishing his course there. He visited in De-
catur in 1894. He will be here ready to
take up his new work by next Sunday
and will probably make his home with J.
M. Clokey and family.

Death of W. R. Inman.

William K. Inman died at 1:30 this
morning at the home of his son, J. H. In-
man, on South Main street, of paralysis of
the brain caused by a fall about a month
ago from which he never recovered. He
was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, in
1823. He leaves the following children:
J. H. Inman Mrs. A. Combs and Mrs. W.
F. Lawrence of Decatur and Mrs. Charles
Freelan of Dalton City. The funeral will
be announced later.

A Grand Juror.

Horace Cushing, of Assumption, has
been drawn to serve as a grand jurymen
in the United States district court at
Springfield.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

The Aldermen Held a Short and
Quiet Session Last Night.

THE OAKLAND AVENUE SEWER

Will Be Constructed and Mr. DeWitt
Wanted to Have Only Decatur
Men Employed on the Works
—Other Important Matters.

There was not much business before the
city council at the meeting last night and
the session closed at 9:30. The longest
discussion was, as usual, upon the sewer
question. A resolution was introduced to
the effect that the city clerk be instructed
to advertise for bids for the construction
of the Oakland avenue sewer. Alderman
Montgomery thought that there was
no hurry and said he didn't want the
matter rushed through. Alderman Simp-
son said that bids would be cheaper now
than at any other time. Labor was
cheap and brick cost only about half as
much as when the other sewers were
built. He saw no reason why the city
should not go ahead and build the sewer
and he demanded the roll call on the ques-
tion. The resolution was passed with a
vote of 9 to 5, DeWitt, Gogerty, Gehbart,
Hankins, Hill, Irwin, Montgomery, Shap-
p, and Thayer voting yes, and Abrams,
Bolen, Carter, Johnson and Montgomery
voting no.

Alderman DeWitt then moved that a
clause be attached to the ordinance re-
quiring contractors who build the sewer
to employ only Decatur laborers and pay
not less than \$1.50 per day. He said that
there were many men in the city who
were out of work and that as the sewer
run through the part of town where the
laboring men live, they should have the
work to do. The opinion of the city at-
torney was asked for and that official said
he did not think that such a condition
would be lawful so Mr. DeWitt withdrew
his motion. Mr. Hankins asked to sub-
stitute another motion that the contrac-
tor employ only Decatur labor in build-
ing the sewer if such could be employed
for not more than \$1.50 per day, thus giv-
ing the contractor the opportunity of
going out of the city for help if it could
not be hired reasonably in Decatur.

Alderman Irwin said that the adding of
a clause to the original ordinance was en-
tirely out of order and that if such was
done a new ordinance would have to be
drawn up, so Mr. Hankins withdrew his
motion and the matter stood as before the
discussion with the ordinance passed.

The other business in detail follows:

Petitions.

Dodd & Co. asked to be allowed to
put a sign before their place of business.
Referred to sidewalk and crossing com-
mittee.

Dr. J. H. Eddy asked that a fine of \$10
which he was caused to pay for an alleged
violation of the plumbing ordinance be
remitted. There was some discussion
as to what should be done with the com-
munication but it was referred to the wa-
ter and light committee to report at a
later meeting.

John A. Brown asked to put a perma-
nent awning in front of 250 West Wood
street. Referred to sidewalk and cross-
ing committee.

Property owners asked that a crossing
to be made over the Wabash tracks at
Dunham and Mercer streets. Referred
to sidewalk and crossing committee.

Ordinances.

An ordinance to reduce the city dog tax
from \$3 and \$5 to \$1 and \$3 was intro-
duced as an amendment to section one,
chapter twenty. The ordinance will be
taken up at the next meeting.

An ordinance abolishing the license dis-
trict came up for the first reading and
was laid over till the next meeting.

An ordinance was introduced to abol-
ish the office of inspector of weights and
measures. Alderman Carter moved that
the ordinance be laid over till the next
regular meeting and the motion was car-
ried.

Resolutions.

Whereas, the city of Decatur has institu-
ted proceedings for the extension and
improvement of Center street from Water
to Church; and whereas the territory
available for assessment is small, the
cost to the city is \$1,570, a sum greater
in excess than the benefits derived from
the improvement; whereas, there is great
dissatisfaction among the individual prop-
erty owners on account of the great in-
justice done in making up the assessment
roll, and whereas, the city of Decatur is
liable to be thrown into long and contin-
ued litigation on account of the improve-
ment. Therefore, be it resolved, that the
city attorney be instructed to dismiss
said proceedings. The resolution was
signed by Aldermen Hankins, Mont-
gomery, DeWitt, Johnson, Simpson, Car-
ter, Mathias and Hill. The resolution
was adopted with a vote of 12 to 2, Irwin
and Thayer voting nay.

That the street superintendent be in-
structed to open a ditch and remove ob-
structions from same from West Marietta
street to King street between North Pine
and Van Dyke streets. Referred to street
and alley committee.

That action be taken to put South
Broadway from Wood to Lawrence streets
in a more passable condition. Referred to
street and alley committee.

That a sidewalk be laid on the north
side of Center street from Webster street
west. Referred to street and alley com-
mittee.

That the street superintendent be in-
structed to raise brick sidewalk on east
side of Broadway between the Wabash
railroad and Wabash avenue. Also the
walk on the west side of North Morgan
street. Referred to sidewalk and cross-
ing committee.

That the purchasing committee be in-
structed to purchase horses and harness to
equip the patrol wagon also to have suit-
able stable and shed for same. Adopted.

That the street superintendent be in-
structed to bring West King street to
grade from North Pine west to Van Dyke
street. Adopted.

That the Wabash railroad be required
to place a watchman at the North Main
street crossing.

That Jackson street be opened from the
south line of the Wabash right of way to
the south line of Central avenue and that
the city attorney be instructed to draw up
an ordinance for the same. Laid on the
table.

Resolutions were introduced to put drop
lights at the intersections of the follow-
ing street: Landland avenue and Charles
street, Jasper and Herkimer streets, Cen-
ter and Morgan streets. All three resolu-
tions were referred to the water and light
committee.

Resigned the Chairmanship.

Alderman Ahrens asked that he be re-
lieved of the position of chairman of the
ordinance committee. Alderman Gog-
erty said he wanted Ahrens to do some-
thing about the free lunch ordinance be-
fore he resigned. The mayor accepted the
resignation and named Alderman
Mathias to act as chairman for the pres-
ent. The council then adjourned.

THE CHINCH PEST.

Farmers Already Ploving Up Their
Fields—Interesting Details of the
Life History of the Pests.

Business men and farmers alike are be-
coming greatly alarmed over the threat-
ened ravages of the chinch bug, which
has descended upon Central Illinois like a
plague of Egypt. Three traveling men
were called in from one neighboring town
last week says the Bloomington Pant-
ograph. The alarm among the country
merchants had become so marked that the
salesmen were unable to sell their goods,
and it was all on account of the chinch
bug. Around Clinton the fields are badly
yellowed, and investigation show that
the bugs are at work in every case. One
farmer at Waynesville has plowed up his
entire corn field.

The Bug and Its History.

During the past few years the life his-
tory of this bug has been carefully studied
by trained entomologists at the various
state experiment stations, but positive re-
sults in the matter of means of defense
against their attacks have not been ob-
tained. When they become ex-
cessively numerous nature has provided a
remedy in fungus disease which will
quickly carry off the excess. A few years
ago Professor Snow, of Kansas University,
found that the disease could be culti-
vated, making it practical to infect bugs
and turn them loose at centers of
infection, thus spreading the disease
rapidly. Great things were at first ex-
pected of this discovery, but the results
have not been in keeping with the high
expectations. Practical experience has
shown that the white muscardine or
chinch bugfungus required a wet soil and
humid atmosphere for its rapid develop-
ment, but with hot, dry days it will
spread naturally, nor if introduced into
the field by diseased bugs. A bug do
not thrive anyway in wet, damp weather,
but to the contrary, are only dangerous in
warm dry seasons, the great things pre-
dicted of white muscardine have failed to
materialize, and the only practical pro-
tection is from barriers and constant vigil-
ance to prevent the bugs from passing
from one field to another. Where a small
grain field is infected little can be done,
though in a limited area something
might be accomplished by the use of kero-
sene emulsion.

In the course of the season there are
two and occasionally three broods, the
hardest of the last brood surviving the
winter. These specimens pass through
the winter under rubbish heaps, fender
stacks, straw piles, leaves, etc. In the
spring their first choice for food is young
wheat, but they will eat any of the grains,
and in the absence of cultivated crops,
even live upon weeds.

Each female is supposed to be capable
of producing about 500 eggs, the first
brood appearing in May and June. This
brings this brood out just in season to
attack wheat, while the second brood, ap-
pearing about the time wheat is har-
vested, usually attacks corn. The time
require for the full development of the
winged insect from the egg as laid is
about sixty days. When wheat fields
have ripened and no longer furnish food
all the bugs in all stages, larvæ, pupæ
and imagoes move on foot to other fields.
It is at the time of this migration that
they can best be fought. Perhaps the
best plan to be followed is to plow a strip
several furrows wide keeping the sides
mellow and friable. When the bugs in
their journey accumulate in the furrows
they can be trapped by making holes in the
bottom of the furrow at regular intervals
into which they will fall or they can be
killed by spraying in the furrow with a
mixture of kerosene and water. Some-
times strips of spring wheat are planted
these serving to attract the bugs when they
can be killed by spraying.

The chinch bug has but a few natural
enemies only four of the lady bugs and
three or four other species of insects feed-
ing on it. The principal preventative of
excessive multiplication is the fungus
disease already referred to. This year
there are large numbers of all bugs which
have passed through the winter. The
dry, hot weather of the last week has been
favorable to their development.

Work on the new Petersburg court house
has been commenced.

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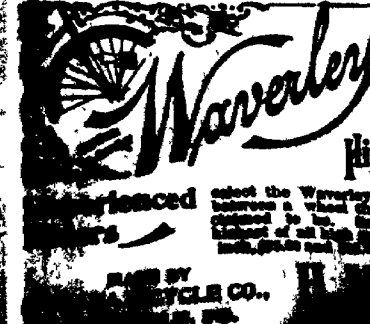
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THE CZAR'S CORONATION.

Official Programme of the Festivities to Be Held at Moscow.

A Whole Month of Magnificent State Ceremony and Gorgeous Show—Balls and Banquets Innumerable—May 26 Is Coronation Day.

The official programme of the festivities at the coronation of Zar Nicholas II. has just appeared in Le Figaro.

In the early days of May the insignia of sovereignty and the gilded coaches will be transferred in state to the Winter palace. On May 18 (May 6 old style) the emperor and empress will reach the Petrowsky palace, near Moscow, by special train, and will celebrate on that day the emperor's birthday. They will remain in the palace till May 21, the day of the triumphal entry into Moscow. After the celebration of the Te Deum in the Ouspensky cathedral the emperor and empress will proceed to the Arkhangelsky and Blagostensky cathedrals to visit the relics and images and the tombs of their ancestors. They will then go to the Alexandrinsky palace outside the city, where they will remain till May 25.

On May 22 and 23 they will receive the foreign ambassadors in the throne room of the great palace of the Kremlin. On May 23, 24 and 25 heralds will solemnly proclaim to the people the day of the coronation, and mean while the emperor and empress will attend to their religious duties. On the 24th the emperor will review the Imperial Guard, and a battalion of sappers, and the imperial standard will then be blessed in the Kremlin. The next day the insignia of sovereignty will be borne in state into the throne room, the emperor and empress will go from the Alexandrinsky palace to the Great Palace in the Kremlin, and in the evening masses will be celebrated in all the churches.

May 25 will be followed by a state banquet, on the three days following the emperor and empress will receive congratulations in the Kremlin palace, and the city will be illuminated; on the 27th there will be a state dinner in the palace to the clergy and state officials; on the 28th an assembly of the court in the Kremlin palace; on the 29th the insignia of sovereignty will be removed from the throne room and will be taken to the palace of the Grand Duke Alexander, where they will be placed in the Grand Duke's collection.

Then follow lesser formalities: May 30, popular festival on the Hodyussky field and ball at the French ambassador's, M. de Montebello; May 31, dinner at the palace to the delegates of the estates and ball at the Austrian ambassador's, Prince von Liechtenstein; June 1, solemn service at the Tikhonov convent and ball at Grand Duke Sergius; June 2, ball of the nobility of Moscow in honor of the sovereign; June 3, pilgrimages of the emperor and empress in the Alexandra hall of the Kremlin palace; June 5, concert at the German ambassador's, Prince Kadow; on June 6, the birthday of the empress, the sovereigns will leave the Ouspensky cathedral in state, and will give a dinner to the diplomatic corps and the special envoys; and on June 7, after a grand review of all the troops in Moscow and a dinner to the city authorities, the emperor and empress will leave Moscow.

"JACK THE RIPPER."

Dead Murderer's Attorney Makes a Start.

Carl Ferdinand Feigenbaum was killed by electricity in the state prison at Sing Sing the other morning for the murder of Mrs. Julia Hoffman in New York city in September, 1894.

As the murderer's body was being carried from the death chair, William Lawton, his counsel, who fought for more than a year and a half to save the life of a client, made a statement declaring his full belief that Feigenbaum was "Jack the Ripper," author of many of the Whitechapel murders. The advertiser publishes Lawton's statement, in which the lawyer explained that he revealed the secret of the dead because he felt it to be his duty to science and to law. Feigenbaum had been guilty of perhaps a dozen butcheries; that one night Feigenbaum told him he had been the victim of a manly which periodically preyed upon him and which forced him in spite of himself to satisfy the incarnate love he had for woman by murdering and mutilating her. Later, Lawton learned that Feigenbaum was in Wisconsin at the time the country was startled by the news of the murder and mutilation of women there; then he was in London when so many women fell victims to the knife of some mysterious assassin in Whitechapel.

NEW STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Organized in Japan for Service Between That Country and Europe and America.

A new steamship company is in process of formation by leading capitalists of Japan. It will start with capital approximating 3,000,000 yen, with power to increase it to 5,000,000 yen if necessary. Application for a charter has been submitted to the authorities. The scheme is to open two routes—one to New York and the other to Europe. The former will include service to Portland, Philadelphia and other points, while the latter will call at Hamburg, London and other points commercially connected with Japan. The object of opening a service to New York is to facilitate the exporting of sulphur, silk goods and other commodities already exported in large quantities to America from Japan. Eight steamers of 5,000 tons capacity will be built, four for each route.

Color Blindness.

It has been noted by the oculists that blue-eyed people are seldom color blind—the percentage of those so afflicted being greatest among persons with hazel and black eyes.

Locomotives and Coal.

It is said that locomotives use a third of the coal mined in England.

Philadelphia claims the youngest professional trainer in the country John Vandorpe, 14 years old. He is said to have a crackjack pace in a 3-year-old by Saladin.

A grand shooting tournament under the management of the Crystal Lake Gun Club, of Urbana, will be held at the fair grounds June 10, 11 and 12.

The village of Forrest has recently organized two fire companies and the citizens sleep more sound.

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DOGS AND TRAMPS.

One of the Latter Shatters a Favorite Belief.

"Am I afraid of dogs?" repeated the tramp, as he leaned against the wall to rub his itching shoulder. "Well, that's a queer question to ask a fellow who's been on the tramp for 15 years! What's dogs got to do with it?"

"It is said that dogs have an instinctive aversion to tramps," replied the interviewer.

"Mebbe they hev, but the tramp hain't worryin' about that as I know of. If dogs was all we had to look out for we'd be a happy lot. Who's bin stuffin' you about dogs?"

"Weren't you ever bitten by a dog?"

"Of course, but that was when I was green at the biz. After the first six months no dog ever hankered after my legs. When you read about a farmer's dog humpin' a tramp over the fence, don't you take no stock in it. It's all guff."

"Well, how do you protect yourself?"

"In the first place, dogs are afraid of tramps. Nine out of ten of 'em will growl a few times and then sneak away. They seem to jest figger that a tramp wouldn't be slishin' around like he is if he wasn't loaded fur dogs. The books all tell ye to look a dog in the eye, but no tramp is fool 'nuff fur that. If ye do he'll figger that ye are defyin' him and bite ye fur sure. Jest look at his paws instead. That'll bother and annoy him and make him turn tail. If a dog rushes out on me of a sudden I stand still. When he sees I don't run he argues that I'm dangerous. I've had 50 farmers 'sist a big dog on me, but I simply back slowly away and never get a bite. I've run onto dogs in yards, barns and sheds and skeert 'em half to death by making a 'bu-z-z-z-z-z' with my teeth shut."

"But you do find a dangerous dog once in awhile?" persisted the questioner.

"Oh, of course," replied the tramp, as he scratched his shoulder. "Yes, we find a dog now and then who lacks good sense and we her to help him out."

GOING-AWAY GOWNS.

Alpaca Is Conceded to Be Cool and Quite Decently Enough.

At this season of the year I always get a fit of longing for somewhere else—anywhere that is not the same place that I have seen all winter, and I think nine out of every ten women I know feel the same way. Now, what to wear when the fit comes on, and the grip is that to be packed for the brief moment that brings you home refreshed and better satisfied with yourself and your belongings. You want to look well, the home gowns are out of the question, the real summer ones too dressy, so that there should be a costume designed especially to suit the occasion.

Of course there is always the shirt waist, but there are women unfortunately enough to look but ill in them, and so they are not to be considered. Alpaca is conceded to be cool and comfortable, and it has splendid qualities to recommend it for traveling, because it sheds the dust and does not soil readily.

A smart gown of mode-tinted alpaca, with a finish as glossy as silk, is made into an attractive gown that can be worn equally well for shopping or visiting. The spreading skirt is as plain as possible, but has an interlining of mode tinted silk, and a lot of silk dust ruffles as a set-off.

The bodice is round and drawn at the waist by the narrowest of belts in lilac and green kid, with a small oval kid buckle. A narrow pointed waist of black satin set in at the throat is finished by a crushed stock of black satin, with enormous pointed ears standing at each side. Broad lace in butter tint is draped artistically over the tops of the bodice sleeves and along the edge of the vest to a point at the waist.

With this gown are worn mode-tinted gloves, heavily stitched with black, and a small capote of coarse black braid, trimmed simply with a smart bow of black satin ribbon directly in the front. There are patent leather boots and English gaiters of mode-tinted cloth to match the gown.

As a model this pretty gown will serve admirably for the purposes specified, and look no less smart on hot days and in the shade. Appropriate dressing is the secret of a charming appearance, and nowhere and at no time is it more desired than when the runaway feeling takes possession of you.—Philadelphia Times.

A Convenient Test.

Take two cakes of good dry yeast and dissolve them in a teaspoon of tepid water. Scald three tablespoonfuls of flour, add one-half cup of sugar, two-thirds cup of salt. Boil 12 large potatoes in two quarts of water, adding enough to have that amount. When done mash them fine, and add to them two more quarts of warm water, the scalded flour, sugar and salt. When the mixture is barely warm add the dissolved yeast. Stand it in a warm place for 12 hours, then bottle. This should make a quantity sufficient to fill five quart fruit jars, and should be at once placed in a cool, dark place. To make your bread, take one jar of yeast in the morning, work it moderately stiff with some flour, and set to rise in a warm sheltered place. It will usually be ready to bake by noon, and will make three good loaves.—N. Y. Tribune.

"Have I done anything for society? I have been doing more for myself. Let that truth be always present to thy mind, and work without cessation."—Simms.

Eugene Von Der Hoff, formerly a jeweler at Springfield, is serving a term in the Indiana penitentiary for the theft of jewelry at Rock Point, Ind.

Peoria is to have electric light all night after Nov. 1. It will cost \$98 a year per lamp.

Col. Stanton, of Rutland, has taken charge of the transient house at Wagon.

Mrs. Fannie Witherspoon, sister of W. W. Boy, of Bement, died a few days ago at Elvinsville, Cal.

Talk of a new Union depot at Delavan is still being indulged in.

YOUNG GIRLS.

INTERESTING CONCLUSIONS.

Mothers Agree on One Vital Subject.

(REVEALS TO OUR LADY READERS.)

Young girls, to the thinking mind, are ever subjects of the deepest interest.

Some lead lives of luxury, while others toil for mere existence. Separate, however, as their paths in life may lie, Nature demands of them the same obedience.

Young girls are recent subjects of the same physical laws, and suffer in proportion to their violation.

They are not to blame, for information on such subjects has been withheld from them, owing to the false interpretation of a mother's duty.

In such cases they should do as thousands of young ladies are doing every day: write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., giving as nearly as possible their symptoms, and receive her freely given advice and treatment.

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THE TRUTH

The write-up spoken of by our windy competitor as coming from the Bearings Publishing Co., of Chicago, (the cycling authority of America), has arrived. BUT this leading cycle house(?) thought best not to make this write-up public, as it might inform the people of the very peculiar manner this "leading cycle house" has of doing business in Bicycles, Vehicles and Harness.

Here is a copy of their ad. in the Decatur Daily Republican of April 24, 1896:

The Bearings Publishing Co., Chicago,

(the cycling authority of America), had their special correspondent, W. H. Flinn, call on us Tuesday. They, too, had heard of us and wanted to hear something of our methods and give us a "write up" and secure our ad. for their paper. He had heard about our having bought 900 BICYCLES FOR CASH early in the season, and SUPPOSED WE WERE BIG JOBBERS and of course would want an ad in his paper. Imagine his surprise when he found that we were simply THE LEADING CYCLING HOUSE OF DECATUR, and proposed to sell every one of our 900 bicycles without even a catalogue.

We told Mr. Flinn how we bought our wheels without name plates to avoid the "tax" the manufacturers added for advertising. He said, "You did just right. The Pope Manufacturing Company, the Waverley people and many others MAKE THE PURCHASER PAY A DIVIDEND on the LARGE SUMS they spend booming their name." He said, "YOU HAVE THE RIGHT IDEA. The principal difference between such wheels as your 'IDEAL' and the highly advertised \$100 bicycles is the cost of advertising." After two hours of conference we agreed on all essential features and adjourned. As a parting word he said, "You can wholesale your bicycles right in Chicago at your retail prices."

J. G. STARR & SON.

And this is the write-up they got but would not publish. So in justice to our goods, upon which they made an unwarranted attack, we publish it to show exactly their method of HONEST ADVERTISING:

CHICAGO, April 25, 1886.

J. G. STARR & SON, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sirs: I am in receipt of a clipping from the Decatur Daily Republican. I regret that you should have taken advantage of my visit in answer to your request to maliciously represent what I said. I regard it as a despicable piece of business.

Our talk about the Pope Mfg Co. opened with your remark that Columbus would sell at seventy-five dollars next year, to which I replied that there was no danger; that the Pope Company had been in business for the past 20 years, and during that time had conscientiously turned out a thoroughly first-class wheel from a factory complete in every detail. I added that during that time they had advertised liberally and had convinced the American public that their wheels were worth all that they asked for them, as in truth they are. If you will stop to consider that the number of wheels turned out by the Pope Mfg. Co. amounts to about one hundred thousand each year, you will readily see that the cost that the cost per wheel for advertising is very, very small.

As for your claim that I said that your "Ideal" wheel, which I believe you admitted was a prison-made wheel, differed from the high grade one hundred dollar wheels only in cost of advertising, I pronounce it an UNMITIGATED AND MALICIOUS LIE. You know as well as I do that wheels made by unskilled convict labor, paid but a few cents a day, cannot be the equal of wheels made in a thoroughly equipped modern factory by skilled mechanics paid living wages.

Were you to use your influence in getting prison labor employed on the highways instead of making poor wheels, you might be able to successfully sell wheels that are made in a bicycle factory at a price commensurate with their values, and at the same time have the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping the cause of cycling as well as making an honest living.

Yours very truly,
WELTON H. FLINN.

H. MUELLER ...GUN CO...

Agents for the well-tried and well-known CLEVELAND, STERLING and WAVERLEY, made by free skilled labor and warranted.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.
The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever, sore, fetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

William Norton, whose escapades at Farmer City are still fresh in the minds of the people of that city, and who got himself in jail as a result, has been released and has remarried his divorced wife.

J. W. Pierce, Republic, Ia., says "I have used One Minute Cough Cure in my family and for myself, with results so entirely satisfactory that I can hardly find words to express myself as to its merits. I will never fail to recommend it to others on every occasion that presents itself." West's Drug Store.

Mary Monahan, of Arcola, who was thought to have eloped and for whom a vigilant search has been going on for some time, was discovered in the neighboring town of Tuscola and returned home.

Quick in effect, heals and leaves no scar. Burning, scaly skin eruptions quickly cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Applied to burns, scalds, and sores, it is magical in effect. Always cures piles. West's Drug Store.

The Donner residence, an old landmark at Farmer City, has been moved away and a modern cottage will adorn the site where it so long stood.

Soothing, healing, cleansing. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures all sorts of wounds and piles, which it never fails to cure. Stops itching and burning. Cures chapped lips and cold sores in two or three hours. West's Drug Store.

William Drybread, one of the oldest residents of Farmer City, after a long illness, is able to be around again.

Don't invite disappointment by experimenting. Depend upon One Minute Cough Cure and you have immediate relief. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. West's Drug Store.

Thomas Watkins, of Petersburg, will have a number of speedy horses in the circuit this season.

A HIGH LIVER with a torpid liver will not be long liver. Correct the liver with DeWitt's Little Early Risers, little pills that cure dyspepsia and constipation. West's drug store.

William Ginerth, aged 89, one of the oldest settlers of Champaign county, is dead.

One minute Cough Cure touches the right spot. It also touches it at the right time if you take it when you have a cough or cold. See to it. Then don't cough. West's Drug Store.

Christie Kerste, an inmate of the Men and county house for several years, was found dead in bed.

It not only is so it must be so. One Minute Cough Cure acts quickly, and that's what makes it go. West's Drug Store.

C. H. Scholtz has been retained as principal of the Emden school the coming year.

A Warm Friend.
Foley's Colic and Diarrhoea Cure is very hot, but when diluted it is drawn a warm friend, indeed to those suffering from bowel complaints. It never fails. 25c and 50c. Nesler Drug and Supply Co., and N. L. Krohn—1 & 2 Wm.

Another six inch well is to be bored at Hopevale for the water works, the first one having given out.

About the Eye.

For people with sore eyes, weak, watery eyes, and red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, catarrh or otherwise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into each eye, or on a clean handkerchief, and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists.

It is stated that fishing in Quiver Lake has not been better in a number of years than it is now.

Dr. L. Kittinger, a leading physician of Wilmington, Del., asked the proprietor of Brazilian Balm to send him a bottle. A few weeks afterwards the doctor said: "I had a couple of cases of old Cough on hand that completely baffled me. I had got to the end of my string. But the Balm made a prompt cure in both cases. It is a remarkable remedy."

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There is much complaint of chinch bugs in the vicinity of Muncie.

Diagnosis of Grippe.

True grippe is a germ disease. These germs are in the circulation and pervade every tissue and organ of the body. It brings speedy collapse and often death to the aged and debilitated. The only germicide known that searches out and destroys every germ in the system is Brazilian Balm. A week or ten days' treatment effects a complete cure.

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WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Cairo, account Illinois G. A. R. Encampment. One fare for round trip. Sell May 11, 12, 13, good to return till May 18.

Joliet, account German Catholic Societies of Illinois. One fare for round trip. Sell May 16, 17, 18, good to return till May 20th.

On the first Tuesday of every month one way tickets to principal points in the south at one cent per mile.

Milwaukee, Wis., account B. Y. P. U. One fare round trip. Sell July 15, 16, 17. Good returning till August 1st.

Milwaukee, Wis., account National Republican League, August 25 to 27. One fare round trip.

St. Paul, account National Encampment, G. A. R., one cent per mile. Sell August 31 and Sept. 1st, good returning till Sept. 30.

Omaha, Neb., account Evangelist Conference and Annual Institute and Convention of the Young People's Christian Union. One fare round trip. Sell August 15, 17, 19, good returning till Sept. 1st.

Washington, D. C., account Y. P. S. C. E., one fare round trip. Sell July 4, 5, 6, 7, good returning till July 31.

Pittsburgh, Pa., account Prohibition Convention, one fare round trip. Sell May 24, 25, 26, good returning till May 29.

Buffalo, N. Y., account National Educational Association. One fare, plus \$1.00, round trip. Sell July 6 and 7, good returning till Sept. 1st.

Ottawa, Kansas, account annual meeting German Baptists. One fare plus \$2.00. Sell May 15, 22, 23, 25. Good returning for 30 days.

St. Louis, account Republican National Convention. One fare round trip. Sell June 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, good returning till June 20th.

Chicago, account Democratic Convention, one fare round trip. Sell July 4, 5, 6, 7, good returning till July 8.

St. Louis, account Populist National Convention and National Silver Convention. One fare round trip. Meeting July 22.

Cleveland, account General Conference M. E. Church, one fare r and trip. Sell May 12, good returning till June 12.

For the Supreme Lodge and Biennial Encampment, U. R. K. of F., at Minneapolis, Minn., August 4 to Sept. 6, at a rate of one fare for the round trip.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to G. A. Follock, Ticket Agent and Ticket Agent Wabash Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

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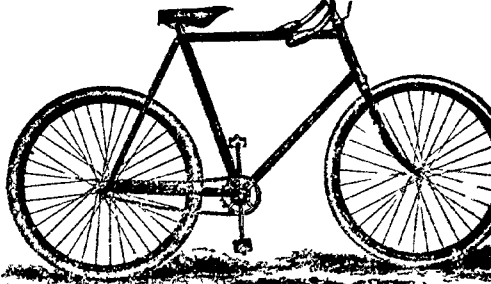
Last year we sold over 1200 vehicles. This year we made still larger contracts for vehicles and are forced to move them regardless of their value. NO OLD STOCK.

\$60 High Grade. \$60

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Our "IDEAL" Bicycles are Good and Strong.

High Grade and Up to Date. They sell regularly for \$85.



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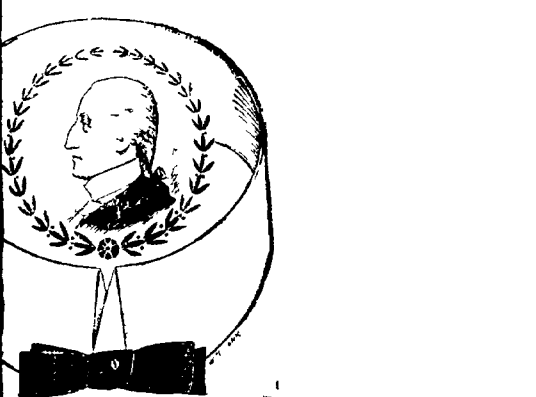
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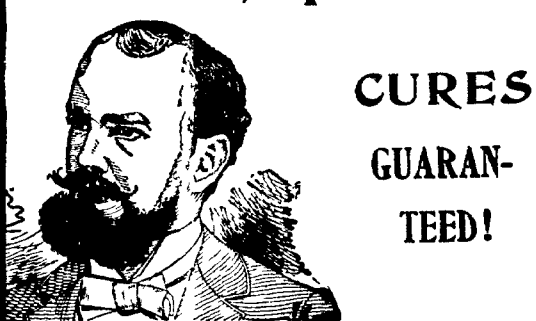
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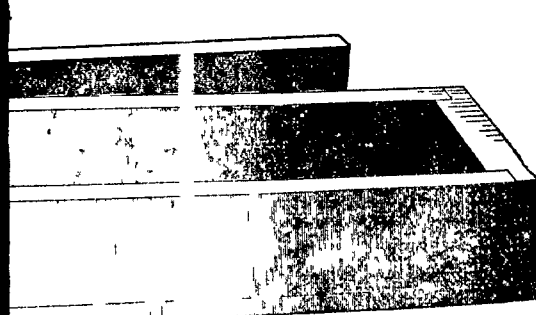
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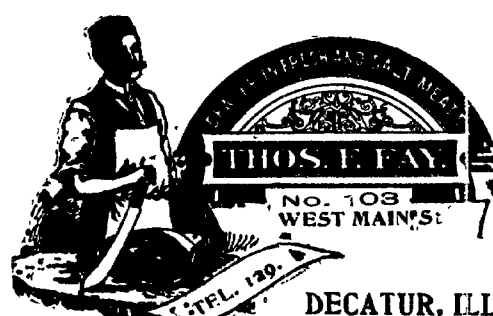
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Nice Laundered Shirt Waists on sale at 50c.
Best quality Percale Laundered Waists at 95c each.
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One lot Wash Silk Waists on sale at \$2.95.
One lot Fine Black India Silk Waists on sale at \$1.95, worth \$6.50—all sizes, 34 to 44.
SKIRTS.
Ready Made Dress Skirts at \$2.48, \$2.98, \$3.50, \$5.00.
Linen Duck Skirts, splendid for general wear, at \$1.95 each.
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COOL DRESS GOODS.
New Duality, in Stripes and figures, on sale at 12½c a yard.
New Fercelle in Persian styles at 15c a yard.
New Linen Dress Goods at 12½c.
French Gingham on sale at 8½c a yard, worth 15c.
New Challies, all colors, on sale at 5c a yard.

CARPETS.
Lot of Remnants of Carpets to be sold at 25c a yard.
Hemp Carpet at 12½c a yard.

Special Sale of Low Shoes—One lot of Ladies' Oxfords, 3 to 7 in size, that have sold at \$1.25 and \$1.50 cut to 98c pair.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Rubber Stamps—J. M. Myers, old phone 38.
Johnny Weigand still makes the Leda 10 cent cigar. mch25-dtf
Decatur Tent and Awning Co. for upholstery. —24dlm
Irwin's penetrating liniment cures neuralgia.
Don't forget the Danville excursion May 13.
Drink celery phosphate 5c a glass at Irwin's fountain.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.
Dr. L. E. Conradt, Dentist, rooms 42 and 14, 14th Street. aug24-dtf
Are you going to Danville May 13. Special train \$1.50 round trip.
In buying a flower odor in perfume buy the true odor at Whitley's.—2 tw

The choicest perfumes in the city are sold at the Opera house drug store.—2 tw
They say the true odor of violets is Bitters' Violet at W. W. Whitley's.—2 tw
Telephone Rock Plaster Co. for Lime, Cement and Rock Plaster.
Prescriptions carefully compounded day or night at Opera House drug store.
Danville and return \$1.50. Special train leaves 6:55 a. m., Wednesday, May 13.

Largest stock and best assortment of family groceries at lowest prices at Irwin's drug store.

The A. O. H. excursion to Danville leaves Union depot at 6:55 a. m., next Wednesday.

What's the matter with you? Constipated? Cascarets will cure. Eat them like candy.

Just before going to bed eat a Cascarets candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.
Mama eats a Cascarets, baby gets the benefit. Cascarets make mother's milk mildly purgative.

Go to Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb24-dtf

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.
It will pay you to buy drugs of I. N. Irwin & Co., the reliable druggists. Iron medicines guaranteed.

Finest assortment of carriages, surreys and road wagons in Decatur at Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street. jan31-dtf

Just Received—A full line of fresh garden seeds from the best and most reliable seed-men by Spencer & Lehman company. feb. 26, d&w 3mo

The Buyers and Merchants' Benefit Bureau saves you 1 percent on your car's living expenses. Call upon the manager, L. Chadat, and learn how.

Go to the Humsey Livery for buggies and surreys, 325 South Main street, phones 317. Buggies and surreys sent on call to any part of the city.—29-dtf

Go to Spencer & Lehman company for fine surreys, canopy and extension top road wagons, and a full line of medium grade vehicles. feb. 26, d&w tf

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.
The Wash earnings for the first week in May amounted to \$214,918, an increase of \$10,494 over 1895. This company has placed some elegant new sleeping cars on the through express trains between Kansas City and Toledo, via St. Louis.

Mrs. Whitney, speaker of the Aeneas society, delivered a fine address to the fair crowd and appreciative audience. At the close she gave some character readings which were acknowledged to be correct, the persons read for being entire strangers.

The Aeneas society will hold a social tonight at Columbia hall, North Main street at which there will be dancing, conducted by Prof. Leonard. Refreshments will be served. A small admission will be charged to cover the expense of the music.

On Sunday, May 17, the I. D. & W. will run a special train from Decatur to Indianapolis and return. Rate for the round trip only \$1. Train leaves Union depot at 7 a. m. and makes no stops between Tuscola and Indianapolis. Returning will leave Indianapolis at 6:30 p. m. K. Woodward.—12-5t

Cheap Excursions.
The Wash will run another cheap excursion to Chicago on Saturday and Sunday, May 23 and 24. The fare will be \$5 for the round trip.

An excursion will also be run to Danville on May 13 on account of the state convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

A Household Necessity.
No family should be without Foley's Diarrhoea and Colic Cure. Perfectly safe and will give instant relief. Price 25c and 50c. Kneiser Drug and Supply Co. and N. L. Kneiser.—1-d&wfm

Decatur Plating Works.
Gold, Silver, Nickel & Copper PLATING.
G. D. DENISON, Proprietor.

JOE MYERS IN COURT

A Great Crowd at the Court House to See the Prisoner

CHARGED WITH MURDER OF HACKMAN

All of the Evidence Heard by Justice Hardy—There is Strong Probability of Guilt.

The case of The People vs. Joseph B. Myers, charged with the murder of August Hackman, was called up in Justice Hardy's court this morning for preliminary examination.

The case was set for 9 o'clock in Justice Hardy's court but it was decided to have the hearing in the circuit court room. When the prisoner was taken to the court house there was a large crowd following behind and the court room was crowded in a few moments. There was great interest shown when the evidence in the case was introduced by State's Attorney I. R. Mills. Pieces of clothing and other possessions of the dead man were introduced as evidence.

Attorney W. E. Redmon, assisted by Attorney W. N. Andrews, appeared for the defense. Myers himself was perfectly cool throughout the hearing and seemed to be almost indifferent to what took place. Once or twice he spoke to his attorneys but most of the time he sat in his chair apparently unmoved. None of his relatives were present, as was thought, might possibly be the case, but this did not seem to worry Myers in the least. Mr. Redmon said that Myers' relatives might possibly come later.

The evidence against Myers was very strong. One point which was especially damaging was that of the watch which Myers pawned. Witness testified that they thought it was the one that Hackman had owned. The numbers of the case and works of the watch were given as evidence and they corresponded exactly to the numbers in an account book belonging to a jeweler who had repaired Hackman's watch at Staunton.

State's Attorney Mills said that before introducing the testimony he would give a short statement of the circumstances connected with the case. He spoke substantially as follows:

August Hackman, the victim, was a young German who had formerly lived at Staunton, Ill. For a period of six years before coming to Decatur he had worked for Arnold Mentrop. He was about 30 years old, was a hardworking young man. He wanted to find employment and was especially desirous of working on the railroad. He came to Decatur and registered at the Eagle hotel on February 19 and stayed two weeks, lacking a day.

Some two years or more ago there came to this county from Pennsylvania a man named Joseph Myers. He was a carpenter and had done various jobs in this county and especially in Long Creek township. Since last fall he, too, had been a boarder and lodger of the Eagle hotel. He was out of employment most of the winter. He was boarding at the Eagle hotel during the time Hackman was there and became acquainted with him and the two men played cards together. Spring opening Myers went out to Long Creek township and on his return he told Hackman of his visit and the latter asked why he had not been allowed to go. Myers said he was going out again and Hackman should go. On Monday, March 2, they went to Long Creek township, apparently in search of work. They visited Edward Smith, living about four miles from the city, on the West farm near the I. D. & W. railroad. This is the residence of Boring Burrows and still nearer the Smith place is the farm of Samuel Davis. Smith knew Myers and arranged with him to do some work. August also wanted employment but did not get it. Myers says they went to the Davis place and saw Mrs. Davis. He also states that they went to Boring Burrows' place and found no one at home but a farm hand who said if they would return the next day Mr. Burrows would be there and might give them employment. The two men met a man named Warren, who had worked for Mr. Burrows, and asked him if he knew whether Mr. Burrows wanted to employ any one.

On the night of March 2 it was decided that they should leave for Long Creek the next day. The two men left the city and this was the last time Hackman was ever seen alive. Myers returned that night and paid \$10 on his board bill and that night he flashed a roll of bills on the outside of which was a \$20 bill, in a saloon. Myers was in town till Saturday. Since the finding of the body of Myers has been interviewed and his story up to this point coincides with the facts.

Myers says that he talked with Hackman and stayed with him for some time. Myers was working at a ditch with two others and then left Hackman at the railroad near Burrows' place. He says he went to Smith's place and worked there and came to the Eagle hotel and bought a watch in a saloon and pawned it for \$3. As a matter of fact he did not go out to Ed Smith's place to do the work, nor stop to talk to men in the ditch until the latter part of March. He returned the same afternoon he left with Hackman.

On April 25 as some boys were passing through the woods a little off the beaten track to Long Creek they found the body of Hackman lying on the face by a stump and covered with leaves. The body could not be recognized, but by an advertisement on his person the matter was traced down and the body was positively identified as that of August Hackman.

Myers was interviewed by officers. It was recognized by the officers that the only possible clue was the finding of the watch. Upon a vigilant search especially at White's pawn shop, the watch was found. This revealed Myers' connection with the tragedy. The watch was pawned

on March 4 by Joe Myers. On the strength of this Myers was arrested and brought to Decatur. He was asked if he had ever had a watch and he said he had not had one for two years. He related the story when pressed further, that he had a watch about two months before, that he had bought it at the saloon from the man, Gigham, and had pawned it for \$3. He had not told this story before. He was then shown the watch and he said that it was the watch he had bought and pawned. The pawn ticket was on his person. When confronted with the fact that the watch had been Hackman's he simply replied, "Is it?" He gave a description of Gigham and was assured that everything would be done to find him. On the following Sunday Gigham was found. He said he left here about the 26 of February with Bob Athey, son of the hotel proprietor and did not return till March 8. Athey told practically the same story, that they had been at Terre Haute on March 3, the day of the murder. Marshall March told Gigham to Terre Haute and found that his story about being in that city was true.

The story given by Myers about his whereabouts is false. There was found on Myers' person articles which have been identified as belonging to August Hackman. These facts lead one to believe beyond a doubt that Joseph B. Myers brought the body of Hackman to Decatur on the morning of March 3, to get the watch and money on his person. The lack of Hackman's head was crushed and the face driven into the ground.

Such a murder as this has never been committed. Not in the annals of the county has there been such a brutal murder as this, prompted simply by gain. Joseph B. Myers, who is before you for trial stands not only charged but guilty of that crime.

The evidence. At the close of Attorney Mills' address he called the following witnesses: Mary, Nora, Levi, Robert, John and John Athey, Harry Sutherland, N. A. Warren, Sheriff J. B. Nicholson, Marshall W. Mason, Edward Smith, James Myers, Officer Amos Imboden, N. A. White, John Wolvington, Arnold and Mattie Mentrop, C. E. Baker and Coroner J. E. Bendure.

Attorney Redmon said that the defense would reserve their statement for the present so the evidence was introduced by the first witness.

The first witness called was Arnold Mentrop, who testified that he lived near Staunton on a farm. August Hackman had worked for him for six years. He left about the 12th or 15th of February with the intention of coming to Decatur to get a situation on the railroad. The witness remembered of Hackman having a gold watch which he bought in St. Louis and afterward had repaired at a watchmaker's place in Staunton. He also remembered a pocket book which Hackman had carried for two years. The witness then identified the signature of Hackman on the register of the Eagle hotel under the date of February 19. He remembered the suit and overcoat worn by Hackman. Witness came to Decatur and took up the remains which were buried at the poor farm and opened the coffin. Hackman had a deformity of the foot which the witness noticed. He also recognized the clothes worn and was positive that the body was that of August Hackman.

At this point the gold watch and the pocket book were shown the witness and he was positive that they were those of August Hackman. In the cross examination by Attorney Redmon the witness said he did not know what part of Germany Hackman came from. The witness thought that Hackman had worked in St. Louis before he came to his farm. Hackman had a sister, Mrs. Fred Seashier, living in Staunton. Hackman was very easy to get acquainted with and thought everybody he met was his friend. In St. Louis he made a bad trade with a watch and chain he had. At Staunton paid \$35 to the express agent. At Decatur and got the watch which had been sent there. He had seen the watch many times since then, and could identify it by its lid and wreath on the case. The watch cost Hackman a good deal of money as he made a bad trade with it. The witness was positive about the overcoat, suit of clothes and pants worn by Hackman. The coffin was opened again at the graveyard at Staunton and the body identified by many persons.

The witness was cross-examined on many points but he was firm in what he said and did not retract anything he had said.

Mrs. Mattie Mentrop.
The next witness examined was Mattie Mentrop, wife of Arnold Mentrop. She testified that August Hackman had worked at their place for six years. He had been treated as one of the family. She remembered the coat worn by Hackman and had mended it with a piece of black calico. The witness identified a piece of Hackman's coat, his pen knife and his handkerchief. She remembered Hackman's pocketbook and said that he had often left it in her care. She was shown the pocketbook by Mr. Mills and was sure it was the one that Hackman owned. She was also positive about the watch. She saw the body after it was brought to Staunton and was sure it was that of Hackman. There was nothing new brought out by the cross-examination.

Charles E. Baker.
Charles E. Baker, of Staunton, was then put on the stand and testified that he had known August Hackman. He was shown the watch and said that he was with Hackman when the same watch was taken to the store of W. J. Krug in Staunton to be mended. A repair account book was shown which the witness said he brought from Krug's store. It showed an entry where Hackman had left the watch to be repaired. The witness identified the pocket book as one which Hackman had carried, and testified that the clothes on the corpse brought back to Staunton were the same as worn by Hackman when he last saw him. The watch he identified as being Hackman's. The witness was then cross examined by

Mr. Redmon in regard to the pocket book.

The Watch.
Attorney Mills wanted to introduce the number of the watch as evidence. Mr. Redmon objected. He said the man who made the figures in the jeweler's book was not present but simply furnished an affidavit and that no one had definitely identified the watch nor sworn that it ought not to be introduced. The court, however, decided that the prosecution should be allowed to give the number of the watch. Mr. Mills then read the number of the case as 289532, and the number of the works as 969092. An adjournment was then taken until 1 p. m.

Afternoon Proceedings.
The first witness examined in the afternoon was Levi Athey, proprietor of the Eagle hotel on North Water street. Witness remembered that August Hackman registered at his hotel on February 19. He stayed almost two weeks and paid about \$9 board. He knew Joe Myers who began boarding at his hotel about a year ago last March. He was in the country a good deal of the time, but stayed at the hotel in the winter and spring. During the period that Hackman was at the hotel Myers paid \$7 for his board in full. Myers paid witness \$10 sometime before supper on the day Hackman left. The witness remembered the date because he paid the \$10 on his rent. He had no recollection of seeing Hackman that night. The witness heard Hackman say that he wanted to go to the country with Myers so that he could get a job. When Myers came back he said that Hackman had a job. The receipt for the \$10 rent which Athey paid was produced and was found to be dated March 3.

In the cross examination the witness said that he did not see Hackman write his name on the register. Mr. Redmon called attention to the fact that on the register was written an entry showing that Hackman had paid \$4. The witness said he did not write the entry but thought it was made by his son Bob. **Nora Athey.** Miss Nora Athey, one of the daughters of the hotel proprietor, was next examined. She testified that Hackman stayed at the hotel for about two weeks. Myers was at the hotel at the same time. The two men had played cards together in the hotel office. Mother of the witness was called out of town on account of illness, and Joe was at the hotel the next day after Mrs. Athey's departure. A man named Warren had stayed at the hotel. Witness said Myers had done some fancy writing for the date of the heading of the names who were registered. This heading was always done the first thing in the morning at the bottom of the names registered for the previous day. The dating was never done ahead of time. Some of this writing was done by Myers, by the witness and others.

The witness said that the dates on the register for Monday, March 2, Tuesday, March 3, and until Monday, March 9, were done by Joe Myers. She also thought Myers had written the dates for March 15 to 25.

Attorney Redmon examined the hotel register with the prisoner and then announced that he did not care to make any cross examination.

N. A. Warren. Testified that he was a horseman and had worked for Boring Burrows last fall. He knew nothing of Myers ever working for Mr. Burrows. Witness stayed at the Eagle hotel on the night of March 2. Remembered seeing Myers and Hackman at the hotel. They had some conversation. Myers said that they had been to Long Creek and had walked in that evening. The German wanted a job but the witness had no work to give him. Joe asked if there would be a chance of Hackman getting a job at the Burrows place and witness replied that there was a chance of finding employment. The understanding was that Myers and Hackman were to go to Long Creek the next day.

On being cross examined by Mr. Redmon the witness said that he did not hear Hackman's name at the time of meeting him with Myers. Hugh Logan was at the Burrows residence at that time and was conversing at the time with the witness.

Coroner Bendure. Mr. Mills next examined Coroner J. E. Bendure, who testified as to the finding of the body of Hackman. He said the body was found in the woods about 100 yards from the Mattes brook yards east of the city. The body was lying face downward with the head close to a stump. The back of the skull was broken and the face pushed in the ground. The skull seemed to be broken at the ears and the back mashed in small pieces. The opinion of the witness was that the man was killed by a blow from a heavy blunt instrument.

Witness produced the revolver found on Hackman and said it was his opinion that it had never been discharged. The cross examination did not bring out anything contrary.

Additional Evidence. Arnold Mentrop was recalled to the stand and testified that Hackman had been in the habit of carrying a revolver. He had a five-shooter but bought a six-shooter.

Officer Imboden. Officer Amos Imboden testified that he was detailed to make a search for a watch, and was given an envelope on which was written the number of the watch which he was wanted to find. The witness then produced the envelope. He said he made a search for the watch in a jewelry store and then found the watch he wanted.

ed at White's pawn shop. The numbers on the watch were the same as the numbers on the envelope and the numbers also corresponded to those on Mr. White's books.

Marshall Mason searched Myers when he was arrested. Witness Sheriff Nicholson and Marshall Mason were present at the arrest. Nothing was said of the watch when the prisoner was being brought to the city. They passed near the place where the body was found, and witness remarked that that was the place where the murder was committed. Myers made no reply.

In the cross examination the witness said he made the remark to see what Myers would say. Witness did not know exactly where he was going when he started but supposed the party was going to arrest Myers.

H. M. White. This witness is the pawnbroker with whom Myers left the watch. He gave important documentary evidence.

He testified in detail, giving much evidence damaging to Myers, which has already appeared in the Republican. A few other witnesses are to testify. It is almost a sure thing that Myers will be held without bail to answer for the murder of Hackman.

THE EICHINGER ESTATE.

Judge Hamner Decides that the Property Shall be Turned Over to Conservator J. W. Rice.

In the county court this forenoon Judge Hamner gave his decision on the demurrer argued before him yesterday in the matter of the estate of Michael Eichinger who was lately pronounced by a court verdict to be incompetent to handle his own property. Before that verdict was rendered it will be remembered that Mr. Eichinger made an assignment to S. S. Jack for the benefit of his creditors, the value of the property turned over being valued at about \$125,000. But the assignment was not made until several days after the petition for the conservator proceedings had been filed with the county clerk. The hearing yesterday was exhaustive. C. C. Loftis and Lee and the firm of Cren, Loftis & Walker appearing for the conservator interests, and Webster & Shelley, Mills Bros. and Attorney Buckingham appearing for the assignee, S. S. Jack.

The court this morning sustained the demurrer entered by counsel of the conservator, Mr. Rice, and so it is settled for the present that Mr. Jack shall turn over all the property that came into his possession by the assignment to Mr. Rice. The order will be written up and entered upon the docket; but the end is not yet, for the notice was given this morning by Mr. Webster that the matter would be appealed to the circuit court at once.

In giving his decision Judge Hamner stated that so far as he could discover there was nothing in any of the supreme court decisions which would apply to the Eichinger matter. He stated that the petition for the conservator proceedings had been filed and that later the assignment was made. He said the parties concerned in the assignment took the chances where they proceeded with the knowledge that there had been other proceedings commenced.

FREAKS OF LIGHTNING.

Narrow Escapes of H. C. Montgomery and Carroll Outdaring the Big Storm.

Yesterday afternoon while the storm was at its worst Carroll Outdaring, nephew of Attorney W. C. Outdaring, of this city, was in a barn at his home one mile east of Mt. Zion, attending to the stock. The storm came up suddenly, and there was a sharp flash of lightning followed by a deafening roar of thunder. At the time young Outdaring was in a stall and in the next stall stood a horse. The lightning struck the barn directly over the stall in which Outdaring stood, but he escaped unhurt, while the horse was struck and dropped dead. How the lightning happened to change its course is a mystery to Mr. Outdaring, but he is not making a roaring complaint, although he of course regrets the loss of the horse. It was a good one.

H. Clay Montgomery, ex-treasurer of the county, and former chairman of the Democratic county central committee, now a farmer, had an experience that he will not forget for a while, and he thinks he is right lucky to be alive to tell it. He had been out to his farm near Macon in the morning and was driving home when the storm came up. He decided to stop at a barn about four miles south of the city until it had passed over and had stopped and started to unharness his horses when a bolt of lightning struck in the road somewhere near him. Mr. Montgomery did not see the flash, but he and his horse were knocked down and it seemed to him for a few seconds that the earth was burning up with blue fire. He soon recovered and found that he nor his horse were hurt and after the storm drove on to the city. He still feels the effect of the shock, and will for several days, perhaps.

Repairing the Old Tabernacle.

This morning the work of repairing the west wall of the old Tabernacle building at the corner of North Main street and Prairie avenue was started. The wall had settled and had cracked and was condemned by the fire commissioners.

Cholera in Egypt.

Alexandria, Egypt, May 12.—There were twenty-two deaths from cholera yesterday.

The Donner residence, an old landmark at Farmer City, has been moved away and a modern cottage will adorn the site where it so long stood.

MUST STOP KILLING.

Methodist General Conference Considers a Resolution.

AIMED AT TURKS FOR ARMENIANS.

General Business of the Conference—No Report on Number of Bishops—The Book Concern.

Cleveland, May 13.—In the Methodist conference this morning the resolution calling on congress to authorize the powers to negotiate with European powers for interference to prevent further massacres in Armenia, was referred to the committee on the state of the church.

By a large majority it was voted to change the time of the coming general conference from May 1st to the first Wednesday in May.

Rev. L. R. Fisk, of Detroit, presented a proposition to hold the general conference every six years. He argued that it would save time and money, insure greater stability and permanency. Referred to committee on state of the church. Chaplain McCabe presented a constitutional amendment forbidding any missionary society from appropriating any sum in excess of the income of the year previous.

A resolution was adopted setting aside Tuesday at 11 a. m., or the presentation of missionaries and deaconesses. The committee of Episcopacy was called. Dr. Buckley reported that the committee was unable to report at present the number of bishops, but promised to do so tomorrow. The report recommending that persons sprinkled in infancy be allowed to be baptized by immersion, when the have arrived at years of discretion, if desired, caused a prolonged debate. The committee on book concern reported adversely on the proposition to establish the Methodist daily paper, also against consolidation of the Western, Northwestern and Central Christian Advocates. Adjourned.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF THE ILLINOIS.

Carroll, Ill., May 13.—Five thousand persons are attending the thirtieth annual encampment of the Illinois G. A. R. Every train yesterday brought in large additions to the crowd. Company D, of the state militia, arrived from Belleville, and Company C, from Carbondale, arrived just before noon. The George H. Thomas Post, from Chicago, arrived at 11 a. m. in a special Pullman sleeper, and the Bryner Post, of Peoria, came in two special cars under the Mobile and Ohio. Commander-in-chief Walker arrived from Indianapolis at noon, and Hon. Horace S. Clark, of Mattoon, and Gen. W. Pavey, of Mt. Vernon, were also among the prominent arrivals.

The parade opened the programme. Fully 1000 men were in line, including companies. One beautiful feature was the part taken by the public school pupils at four places along the line of march. The little children, dressed in red, white and blue costumes, were arranged to form living flags, and sang patriotic songs while the parade passed. Bouquets of flowers were also given to the veterans by flower girls.

After the parade a complimentary trip to across the Illinois Central bridge to Fort Holt, Ky., was tendered the visitors by the railroad company. Last night the Cairo High School cadets' company, of Carbondale, had a competitive drill, and a camp-fire at the opera house followed, which was addressed by Commander Walker, Department Commander Powell and others.

Today the executive sessions of the various organizations began. This afternoon Company D, of Belleville, will give a dress parade at St. Mary's Park, and at night a reception at the Halliday hotel and a band concert on the hotel terrace will entertain the visitors.

The race program seems to be between W. G. Cochran, of Sullivan, and A. L. Schimpff, of Peoria. Danville and Galeville are each working hard for the next encampment. The former place has among its champions W. J. Calhoun, who led the McKinley fight in the recent state convention, and J. W. Wilkin, of the Illinois Supreme Court.

Said to be a Business Deal.

London, May 13.—A Shanghai special says: The British and German ministers to China contested against the action of Russia occupying of Foreshore at Chee Foo. In well informed commercial circles in London it is believed that the incident is nothing except an ordinary business deal as the land alleged to have been seized has been for sale some years. The only cause for dispute is the fact that the Russian Steam Navigation company through whose agent the land occupied is subsidized by the Russian government. It is reported that the entire Russian squadron in Chinese waters will rendezvous at Chee Foo in readiness for action at Port Arthur or Kiachow Bay, on receipt of instructions from St. Petersburg.

Weather This Afternoon and Thursday.

Chicago, May 13.—Illinois: Thunder storms, cooler tonight; Thursday, fresh southerly winds.

Iowa: Showers, thunder storms this afternoon and tonight; showers east, fair west; Thursday, cooler, easterly winds becoming variable.

South Dakota: Fair tonight and Thursday, cooler;—light brisk northwest wind.

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